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JOHN N. WHITE
AND
SAM'L. WESTON,
Commission Merchants,
NORFOLK, VA.

JOHN N. WHITE, (late of Petersburg, Va.) has removed to Norfolk, and in connection with Samuel Weston, will transact a GENERAL COMMISSION and GROCERY BUSINESS.

They respectfully offer their services to the Merchants and Planters of this section of the country, as also, to those of the state of North Carolina, in the PURCHASE or DISPOSAL of any GOODS or MERCHANDIZE, and of the products of the Farmers and Planters, and from a thorough acquaintance with the various kinds of produce, particularly COTTON and TOBACCO acquired by the elder of the firm—they are confident of affording entire satisfaction to those who shall favour them with their business.

The following articles comprise a part of those in STORE, viz:

5 hds. W. I. Rum,
5 Pipes Bordeau Brandy,
2 do. Holland Gin,
10 hds. N. E. Rum 4th proof,
25 do. Baltimore Whiskey,
50 bls. do. do.
15 do. Rye do.—4th proof—4 years old,
25 do. Baltimore Gin,
20 do. Philadelphia do.
25 do. N. E. Rum,
30 do. Cordials, assorted,
15 qr. Casks Sweet Mal. Wine,
5 do. Madeira do.
11 hds. St Croix Sugar, 1st and 2d quality,
20 do. N. Orleans do. do. do.
2000 do. Lf. Sugar, various do.
60 bgs. Coffee—part Java.
Gun Powder, Imperial, Hyson, Young Hyson, & Pouchong, } TEAS.
All in various sized packages of superior quality.
25 bxs. Convers Troy Candles, first quality,
25 do. do. do. do. second quality,
25 do Spermacetti do.
25 do. Soap, various qualities,
100 do. Windsor Shaving Soap
15 do. Mustard, in qr. & hf. lb bottles,
5 do. Superior Chewing Tobacco, in 1 lb. lumps,
25 do. Millers Cut do.
50 do. Glass, 8 by 10 and 10 by 12,
25 do. Chocolate, Nos. 1, 2 & 3
25 casks Cheese,
50 bls. Mackerill, Nos. 1, 2 & 3
15 half do. do.
20,000 Spanish Segars, in half and qr. boxes,
10,000 do. do. inferior quality,
Bags pepper,
do. Pimento,
do. Ginger,
Kegs Nutmegs;
do. Fig blue,
do. Salt Petre,
do. Indigo and Starch,
do. Butter and Lard,
3 tiers. Rice,
60 Dimijohns,
100 Reams Wrapping paper,
27 do. Writing do.
60 Kegs Nails of 100 lbs. each, assorted sizes,
10 doz. Spades and Shovels.
10 do. Wire Sifters,
10 do. boxes Axes,
5 do. Patent Coffee Mills,
55 do. Bed Cords and Leading Lines.
900 Straw Tumblers.
10 doz. common qt. Decanters,
15 do. do. pint do.
150 pieces Cotton Bagging, 42 inches.
10,000 lbs. Bale Rope.
5,000 lbs. Twine,
200 Sacks Liverpool Salt,
100 bls. Family Flour,
150 do. Superfine,
5 tons Country Iron,
5 do. Swedes do.
5 do. Blistered Steel,
5 do. Castings, composed of Ovens, Pots, Spiders, Camp-Kettles, And-Irons, Flat-Irons, &c.
25 bundles Nail Rods,
5 do. Brand Iron,
5 tons Rough Moulds,
15,000 lbs. Bar Lead,
2 tons Patent Shot,
50 kegs Powder F, FF, FFF.
With sundry other articles, and further supplies daily expected.

JOHN N. WHITE, &
SAM'L. WESTON.

Norfolk, Oct. 1829. 36—6m

EAGLE HOTEL,

HALIFAX, N. CAROLINA.

THE subscriber informs his friends and the public generally, that he has leased that large and commodious house, formerly known by the name of the

BIG TAVERN,

where he is in hopes, his strict attention to his business, and the following prices, will insure to him a portion of the public patronage.

PRICES.

Man and horse per day,	$1 50
Do. board by the year,	130 00
Do. do. per month,	12 50
Do. do. by the day for a man.	1 00
Dinner and horsefeed,	75
Supper,	37 1-2
Breakfast,	37 1-2
Lodging,	12 1-2

J. H. McLEMORE.

August 20, 1829. 28—6m

FALL GOODS,
And very cheap.

R. KINGSBURY has just received, and now offers for sale, his fall and winter supplies; comprising a very general and extensive assortment of DRY GOODS, which have nearly all been purchased at auction in New York, that enables him to sell them unusually low. The following is a part of my assortment:

Groceries of every description.

Hardware, Castings, China, Glass and Earthen ware, Stone ware, Tin ware, Saddlery, Boots and Shoes, Sole and upper leather; morocco, Calf Skins, Cotton Bagging, Bale rope, Iron, Nails, Window Glass and Putty, a large supply of heavy Turks Island Salt, Sack Salt, &c.

The above, together with my former stock, makes the assortment very complete. The above goods will be sold on my usual accommodating terms.

Being confident that I can give satisfaction to those who will take the trouble to call, as regards quality and prices, I respectfully invite all who want to purchase to examine my assortment.

N. B. I wish to purchase with cash, a few hundred bales of prime Cotton. I will also pay cash for a quantity of Apple Brandy, & receive in payment for debts or goods, all kinds of country produce.

Apply at the Brick Store.
Oct. 15, 1829.

THIS is to shew that I forwarn all persons whatsoever from trusting my wife Martha Lewis, or any other person on my account, as I am determined to pay no debts but of my own contracting.

TOBIAS LEWIS.

NOTICE.

WILL be sold on the premises on the 7th of January next, in the Town of Warrenton N. C. that well known house and lot near the Court House, lately occupied and kept open as a house of public entertainment, called the

'Exchange Coffee House'

by virtue of a deed of trust executed to the subscriber by Thomas G. Johnson. The terms will be accommodating and made known on the day of sale.

Also at the same time the tract of land near the Town, known & used as the RACECOURSE.

JNO. W. LEWIS.

Nov. 30, 1829. 4w—40

☞ The Editors of the Warrenton Reporter and Petersburg Intelligencer will insert the above until the day of sale, and forward their accounts to this office.

JAMES GORDON
Commission Merchant
NORFOLK VA.

The subscriber takes this method of announcing to the public that he has made arrangements for the transportation of Cotton, and produce of all descriptions, from Weldon and Halifax to Norfolk, by the use of boats that go at all times over the shoals, and meet the Steam Boat Petersburg below the shoals, until the new Steam Boat is completed, and ready for use, (which will, doubtless, be in all the month of November next.) The charges will be as follows:

For receiving and delivering Cotton at Halifax, 15 cents,

At Edwards' and Anthony's ferry, 12 1-2 cents,

Freight and Canaltoll to Norfolk one dollar,

Storage at Norfolk, per month, 10 cents,

Commission on sales, 2 1-2 per cent.

Freight of a sack of salt from Norfolk to Halifax, or Weldon, Canal toll included, 38 cents,

Barrel of Sugar, 50 cents,

Bag of Coffee, 200 weight, 50 cents.

Other articles in the same proportion.

My agents are at Weldon, Colonel Joyner,

Halifax, Nathaniel Smith,

Edwards' Ferry, Dr. Whitehead,

Anthony's Ferry, Jas. H. Smith.

The lighters I use are to take produce down the river, on the moment of its arrival; it will be received by the Steam Boat, and immediately proceed to Norfolk.

JAMES GORDON.

☞ A more specific memorandum of the freight of the various articles, which will be offered for transportation, will be given in some few weeks. In the mean time, as the season for transportation is at hand, the above is offered as a fair specimen of probable cost, &c. and for the convenience of planters, I purpose keeping in the town of Halifax, a supply of sugar, Coffee, Molasses, Salt, Iron, Cotton Bagging, Bale Rope, Twine, &c. to be sold at the Petersburg prices, with the addition of freightage, &c. from Norfolk.

J. G.

The Raleigh Star will publish this advertisement until further notice, and forward their account to this office.

WILLIAM H. REDWOOD,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
NORFOLK, VA.
Warehouse on Woodside's Wharf recently occupied by Messrs. J. & W. Southgate,

TENDERS his services to COUNTRY MERCHANTS, PLANTERS, and LUMBER DEALERS, in the SALE of PRODUCE and LUMBER of every description, & in the PURCHASE of GOODS, for which his commissions will, in all cases, be very moderate.

His attention being confined *solely to Commission Business*, and his knowledge of persons and of the mode of transacting business in the Borough, together with his thorough knowledge of the *Country Business*, will, he hopes, be found advantageous to those who may employ his agency.

Refer to Messrs
Cone & Sheldon, *Ch's L. Wingfield*, } *Williamsburg.*
Robert Souter, *Shields & Ashburn*, *Eds. Beacon*, } *Norfolk.*

May, 1829. 17—12m

State of North Carolina
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.
Superior Court of Law & Equity Fall Term A. D. 1829.

Jarrad Weaver vs William H. Hardie and Hardy Cobb, Ex'tors. of Tho. Turner dec'd and Matthew C. Turner } In Equity.

On reading the Bill and answers in this case, and on motion of the defendants, Hardie and Cobb, by their counsel, it is ordered that it be referred to the Clerk and Master to state an account of the lands and slaves sold by the defendants Hardie & Cobb under the will of their testator, and also an account of all debts due from the defendant Matthew C. Turner at the death of the testator Thomas Turner deceased, shewing to whom the said debts respectively were due, on what consideration founded, how evidenced; and how much of said debts so due at the said testators death remain due and unpaid.

And it is further ordered that *all the creditors of the said* MATTHEW C. TURNER *do appear before the Clerk and Master*, exhibit their claims and prove the same; and that each creditor failing so to appear shall be excluded from any share of the funds in the hands of the Executors: Provided a copy of this order shall be inserted for six successive weeks in the Halifax Minerva and Raleigh Star, together with a notification of the time and place appointed by the Master for receiving such claims; which shall not be in a shorter time than TWENTY DAYS after the last insertion of said notice.

And it is further ordered that the Master have power to examine each and every person preferring such claims (if he shall think fit, or shall be required so to do by the parties or either of them) upon oath touching the same.

The foregoing order having reference to a fund set apart by the late THOMAS TURNER deceased, in his last will and testament, for the payment of the just debts of his grand son, MATTHEW C. TURNER, one of the defendants in the suit above refered to; all of the creditors of the said Matthew C. Turner and others interested, are hereby notified that the subject matter of the said order will be taken up and acted on by the Clerk and Master, at the Court House of Northampton county, in the Town of Jackson, on the 22nd day of February next, when and where they are required to attend, and prepared to prove their respective claims.

JOHN D. AMIS, C. M. E.
By W. B. LOCKHART Dep. M. E.
Nov. 16th 1829.

HILLSBOROUGH
ACADEMY.

THE examination will be on Monday and Tuesday the 7th and 8th of December. The exercises will be resumed on Monday the 11th of January.

Mr. Edward Smith, formerly of the Petersburg (Va) Academy, a teacher of long experience, and highly distinguished for classical and scientific attainments, will be associated in the labors of the Academy.

The system of studies is, in general, preparatory to our University. The common English branches—spelling, reading, writing, geography, arithmetic and English grammar—are interspersed throughout the course. Tuition in the higher branches of education will be given to such as desire it.

Regular tuition 15 dollars per session.

W. J. BINGHAM, Principal.

P. S. Board in the most genteel families ten dollars per month, including bed, washing, firewood and candles.

Hillsborough, N. C. Nov. 24 40—5w

NOTICE.

THE last will of *David Clark* was this day proved in the County Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Halifax County, by the Subscribers who qualified as Executors thereto.

THE CREDITORS of the Testator must demand payment of the Executors for all claims, within the time by Law prescribed, or their actions will be barred.

WM. M. CLARK, } Exrs.
GAVIN HOGG, }
Halifax Nov. 17th, 1829.

All those indebted to the said David Clark are requested to make payment or to renew their Bonds with too goods securities payable to the above named Wm. M. Clark and Gavin Hogg as Guardians of David Clark's children or writs will be brought against all those indebted to said David Clark to February term of Halifax County Court.

State of North Carolina.
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.
Superior Court of Law and Equity Fall Term A. D. 1829.

Edmond Webb and Henry Harrison, and William Harrison & Marmaduke Harrison & William Harrison infants by William Harrison sen. their next friend Matthew Harrison and James Harrison, & John Harrison & Frederick Harrison, & Alexander Harrison and Lewis Harrison and Pleasant Harrison and Elizabeth Harrison, and Martha Harrison & Mary Harrison an infant by Matthew Harrison her next friend. } Petitioners, in Equity

vs } For sale of Land

Edmund Harrison, Benjamin Smith Harrison, Samuel S. Simmons and John C. Philips and his wife Sally, late Sally Simmons.—Robert Moore William H. Moore David J. Moore and Thomas E. Abernathy and his wife Martha, late Martha Moore. } Defendants.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the defendants in this case are not inhabitants of this State. It is ordered that publication be made in the Halifax Minerva, for six successive weeks, notifying them to appear at the next term of this court to be held on the 5th Monday after the 4th Monday in March next, at the Court House in the Town of Jackson, and plead, answer or demur to the petitioners' said petition, otherwise the same will be taken pro confesso as to them, and the matter thereof heard exparte.

A Copy Teste
JOHN D. AMIS, C. M. E.
Nov. 10th 1829. 6w—39

WELDON.

PURSUANT to an order of the Honorable the Court of Equity, holden for the County of Halifax Fall Term, 1829 notice is hereby given to all purchasers of lots in the town of Weldon, from Samuel Blount, Guardian, &c. who have not complied with the terms of the contract, that they appear at the Superior Court to be holden for the county of Halifax in the town of Halifax, on the fourth Monday after the fourth Monday in March next, to show cause why the purchases made by them respectively under the decree of this Court should not be vacated and set aside.

E. B. FREEMAN c. m. e.
October 28, 1829. 37—[illegible]

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at the last term of Halifax county Court, the subscriber qualified, as Administrator, on the estate of THOMAS H. SCOTT deceased.—All persons, indebted to said deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, as no longer indulgence can be given, all those having claims against said deceased, will demand payment within the time prescribed by law, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.

EDWARD C. PITMAN Adm.
Dec. 4, 1829. 4w—41

NOTICE.

The creditors of A. A. B. Smith & Co. are requested to attend at the Mansion House in the town of Halifax, N. Carolina, on the 20th day of January [illegible] either by themselves or their agents, for the purpose of [illegible] a report of the trustees [illegible] to collect the debts and [illegible] a dividend of the monies [illegible].

All those who fail to attend will be excluded from the participation in the division.

GEO. R. REES, Trus.
Sept. 23, 1829.

WM. S. RANSOM,

Having obtained Superior Court licence, has permanently located in Warrenton, where he can always be found when not on circuit.—He will attend the Courts of Halifax and Northampton counties, and of those which compose this Congressional District, with the exception of Granville county court. Grateful to the few whose patronage has been extended to him, he hopes by endeavoring to merit, to receive a liberal share of that of the public generally.

Warrenton, Nov. 12, 1829.
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$50 REWARD.

RANAWAY from the subscriber a year past, negro man

HARRY.

He is a bright black, about five feet 9 inches high thirty years old, wears whiskers, has and impediment in his speech, and a down look when spoken to. He is by profession a fiddler, a ditcher and sawyer. I purchased him in Halifax, at sheriff's sale, several years past, sold as the property of Wilson Carter. He has lately been seen in Bertie county, employed both as a ditcher and sawyer. He there [illegible] as a free man. I will give the above reward of Fifty dollars, to any person who will deliver him to the jailor in Halifax, by the 15th October or fifty dollars, if delivered to him any time thereafter.

B. C. EATON.
Sept. 1 1829. [illegible]—3w

FEMALE SCHOOL.

MRS. HARVEY [illegible] leave to inform her friends and the public in general, that her School for young Ladies will be resumed again at Hyde Park, on the 12th day of January next. The charges for the highest Branches & Sciences, $10 per ses.
For the lower $7
Music on the Piano $15
Drawing & Painting $4

Board can be obtained at $30 per session. Those who may feel disposed to patronize the school, will please address a line post paid to

ELIZA J. HARVEY.
Hyde Park, Halifax Ct. N. C. }
December 10, 1829. }

☞ The Edenton Gazette, will give the above three insertions, and forward the account to Mrs. *Harvey* for payment.

WANTED

IMMEDIATELY, at this Office, two or three well dressed Buck-skins.

LEGISLATURE.

SENATE

Saturday Dec. 12.

Mr. Mathews presented a bill to extend the time for registering grants and mesne conveyances, powers of attorney, bills of sale, and deeds of gift; and Mr. Bell, a bill to repeal a part of the 2d section of the act of 1806, to revise the militia laws of this State relative to Infantry; which passed their first reading.

Mr Hinton of Beaufort presented a bill to amend the act of last session, chapter 8, amending the law with respect to the collection of debts from the estates of deceased persons, and the law in relation to the levying of executions issued by justices of the peace; which was read the first time, ordered to be printed, and referred to the Judiciary committee.

The engrossed bill amendatory of the law respecting the crime of Bigamy was rejected on its second reading by a vote of 23 to 28.

Mr. Hoke moved to reconsider the bill amendatory of the law respecting the crime of Bigamy, which motion was decided in the affirmative; but, before any further proceedings were had relative to said bill, the House adjourned.

Monday Dec. 14.

Mr. Sneed, from the committee of Finance, whose duty it is made by law to examine the Reports of the Public Treasurer and Comptroller, and generally into the state and condition of the finances of the State, made a detailed report, accompanied by a resolution allowing the Public Treasurer credit for $..,971 85, the amount of Treasury Notes burnt by the committee of Finance the present session; which resolution was adopted and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Meares, from the Judiciary committee, to whom the subjects were refered, reported a bill making void certain conveyances there in mentioned; also a bill giving feme coverts the right of suing and being sued; and also a bill more effectually to prevent injury to stock; which bills passed their first reading.

Mr. Meares, from the same committee, reported the bill to authorise the clerks and masters in equity to take depositions, without amendment; when the said bill was read the second time and passed.

Mr. Johnson presented a bill for the relief of debtors whose real estate may hereafter be sold by execution; which passed its first reading, and was referred to the Judiciary committee.

Tuesday Dec. 15.

The Bill to vest the right of electing Sheriffs in the free white men of the State, passed its third reading by a vote of 32 to 28, and was ordered to be engrossed.

The engrossed bill amendatory of the law respecting the crime of Bigamy, was amended, read the second time and passed; yeas 44, nays 17.

Mr. Meares, from the Judiciary committee, to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill to amend the law relative to securities for the stay of executions on judgments given by justices of the peace; which was read the first time, passed, and laid on the table.

Mr. Burns presented a bill to prevent disfiguring the walls of the State House, which passed its first reading.

Wednesday Dec. 16.

On motion of Mr. Wellborn, RESOLVED, That the committee of Finance be instructed to enquire into the expediency of amending the Revenue Laws of this State in a particular manner, in relation to large entries of land, say from 30,000 to 200,000 acres, on which grants have issued to citizens of other States, and where for the space of thirty years, said land has never been given in nor sold for the taxes agreeably to law, these dormant titles having slept ever since the year 1796.

Thursday Dec. 17.

Mr. Williams of Martin, from the committee of Propositions and Grievances, to whom was referred the bill to establish a new county, from the counties of Cumberland, Moore, Wake and Chatham, together with the petition on the subject, made a report recommending the rejection of the bill, which was concurred in.

Mr. Hinton of Beaufort, presented a bill declaring certain offices incompatible with the office of Justice of the Peace.—Read the first time. (The offices alluded to are County Register and County Surveyor.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the Philodemic Association in Halifax, passed its second and third readings and was ordered to be enrolled.

Friday, Dec. 18.

Mr. Meares from the Judiciary committee, made a report, asking to be discharged from the further consideration of the Resolution, to provide by law, for a more durable authentication of divisions of real estates. Concurred in.

Mr. M. from the same committee, to whom was referred the bill for the relief of debtors whose real estate may hereafter be sold by execution, reported the same without amendment and recommended its rejection. Concurred in.

The remainder of the sitting was occupied in the consideration of the Bank Bill.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Saturday Dec. 12.

On motion of Mr. Bynum, the committee on the Judiciary were instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law relative to the estates of deceased persons when there is no administrators or executors.

Mr. Morris presented a bill to vest in single justices of the peace jurisdiction of loaned property to the amount of twenty dollars; which passed its first reading.

On motion of Mr. Hill of Wilmington,

RESOLVED, That a select committee be raised and instructed to examine the existing laws regulating the Treasury Department, and report whether any, and, if any, what change or modification be necessary; and whether the present compensation allowed to the Public Treasurer and the provision for clerk hire be sufficient; and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Messrs. Hill, of Wilmington, A Wooten, Nash, Kendall and Campbell were appointed the said committee.

Monday Dec. 14

Mr Shipp, from the committee on Public Lands, made a report recommending the rejection of the petition of Joseph H. Bryan and Wm. W Jones, Concurred in.

The House proceeded to consider the following resolutions, reported by the Board of Internal Improvement:

RESOLVED, That the Public Treasurer pay to the Treasurer of the Roanoke Navigation Company, or to any person properly authorised by said company to receive the same the sum of $969 69, it being the amount of interest due by the State on deferred payments of the subscription for 250 shares of the capital stock of said company, made by the President and Directors of the Board of Internal Improvement under an act passed in the year 1823.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Public Treasurer pay the instalments of $5000 now due on said subscription when demaned, interest on the same from the 1st day of November to the 1st day of December, 1829.

The first resolution was rejected by a vote of 99 to 24. On motion of Mr. Carson, the second resolution was so amended as to omit the clause allowing interest. Mr. Pearson moved that the resolution be indefinitely postponed; which motion was negatived—69 to 43. It was then adopted and ordered to be engrossed.

Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Mr. Gaston, from the committee to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Banks, reported two bills giving time to the Banks of Cape Fear and Newbern and the State Bank of North-Carolina to close their business and to pay and collect their debts; which passed their first reading, and were ordered to be printed and made the order of the day, one for Wednesday and the other for Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Bynum, the committee on the Library were instructed to enquire into the expediency of procuring for the State Library a copy of the proceedings of each of the conventions held by the individual States for the purpose of ratifying the Constitution of the United States; of directing the Librarian to procure and have printed, annually, a complete catalogue, alphabetically arranged, of the books in the Library; and of appropriating a sufficient sum for the erection of book cases, presses. &c. for the accommodation of the books in the Library.

On motion of Mr. Fisher. the committee on so much of the Governor's message as relates to a Penitentiary were instructed to enquire into the expediency of appointing some intelligent person or persons to visit the Penitentiaries of other States, for the purpose of collecting facts and information concerning the system, to be laid before the Legislature at the beginning of the next session.

Wednesday Dec. 16.

The following bills received from the Senate, had their first reading, viz: concerning the fees of the standard keeper in Rutherford, and vesting the right of electing Sheriffs in the free white men of the State.

Mr. Nash, from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill prescribing the manner in which the Sheriffs shall give bonds. Read the first time.

Thursday, Dec. 17.

Mr. J. Murphey, presented a bill prescribing the sum hereafter to be paid for licence to retail spirituous liquors.

Mr Bethell, a bill to disqualify individuals holding a seat in the General Assembly, from the enjoyment of any lucrative office.

The remainder of the sitting was consumed in the discussion of the bill for the erection of a new county.

Friday, Dec. 18.

Mr. Wyche, from the committee of Finance, to whom was referred the bill to amend part of the 4th section of an act passed in 1822, to provide a Revenue for the payment of the Civil list and contingent charges of Government, reported it without amendment and recommended its rejection. Concurred in.

The remainder of the sitting was spent in the consideration of the bill to erect a new county from portions of Burke and Buncombe.

CONGRESS.

SENATE.

Monday Dec. 14.

The VICE PRESIDENT, Messrs. KING and MCKINLEY, of Alabama, Mr HAYNE of South Carolina, Mr KNIGHT of Rhode Island, and MR. CLAYTON of Delaware, severally appeared and took their seats—Several petitions were presented, and resolutions of the General Assemblies of Indiana and Missouri, on the subject of the Public Lands, were presented by messrs NOBLE and BARTON. This being the day designated by the rule adopted at the last session, for the election of the officers of the Senate, mr. LOWRY was reelected Secretary, General BAILEY Sergeant at Arms and Door-keeper, and mr. TIMS assistant Doorkeeper. On the third ballot for a Chaplain, the REV. MR JOHNS having received 21 votes, and the REV. MR DURBIN the same number of votes, the PRESIDENT gave the casting vote in favour of MR. JOHNS and he was declared duly elected After spending a short time in the consideration of Executive business, the Senate at an early hour, adjourned.

Tuesday Dec. 15.

The Senate adjourned at an early hour, after having received petitions from Mr. Holmes, Mr. Johnston, Mr. Dickerson, Mr. Smith. of Maryland, Mr. Foote, and Mr. Sanford. Resolutions were presented by Mr. Kane, and Mr. Barton; and memorials by Mr. Chambers.

Wednesday Dec. 16.

Bills were introduced on leave, by Messrs, Benton, Barton, Kane, Smith, of Md, and Noble. The resolutions of Mr. Kane, offered yesterday, were considered and agreed to. Sundry petitions were presented by Messrs, Silsbee, M'Kinley, Livingston, Sanford, and Woodbury. The Senate went into executive business at an early hour, after which, it adjourned.

Thursday, Dec. 17.

Several bills passed to a second reading. Memorials and petitions were presented by messrs. Ruggles, McKinley, Livingston, Smith of south Carolina, Sanford, Johnston, and Woodbury. Resolutions by messrs, Livingston, Chambers and Noble. At an early hour the senate went into the consideration of Executive business; at the close of which, it adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday Dec. 14.

Mr. WILDE of Georgia. Mr. STEPHENS of Pennsylvania, and Mr. DUDLEY of North Carolina, appeared, were qualified, and took their seats.

The appointment, by the Speaker, of the various Committee was announced.

Tuesday Dec. 15.

The presentation of petitions, and the introduction of resolutions, occupied a great part of the day. Some discussion took place on the subject of the passage of various resolutions. With regard to one offered by Mr. Conner, for an inquiry into the expediency of a reduction of the duty on salt, a division by yeas and nays took place, and it was negatived by a majority of 92 to 76.

Among other petitions, three were presented contesting the validity of three elections for members of the House. They were from Silas Wright, Jun. petitioning against the return of George Fisher, as a member from the twentieth Congressional District in the State of New-York; from T. D. Arnold, against Pryor Lea, member from the second district of Tennessee; and from Ruel Washburn, against James W. Ripley, member from the State of Maine. They were respectively referred to the Committee on Elections.

A message from the President, on the subject of the Passamaquoddy Indians, was received; and the Annual Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, was presented by the Speaker. On motion of Mr. Buchanan, ten thousand copies of the latter, with the accompanying documents, were ordered to be printed.

Wednesday Dec. 16.

Numerous petitions and memorials were presented; after which, several resolutions were submitted. Upon a proposition on the preceding day by Mr. Richardson. for the establishment of a Committee on the subject of Education; a considerable discussion ensued, in which Messrs, Hall. of North-Carolina, Storrs, of New-York, and Archer, of Virginia, took part, in opposition to the resolution. Mr. Archer moved to lay it upon the table; which was finally carried, on a division by yeas and nays by a majority of 127 to 53. *Barringer*, of North Carolina, announced the death of the Hon. Gabriel Holmes, a member elect from, and formerly Governor of that State: and it was upon his motion resolved, that the House go into mourning for the customary term of thirty days. The House then, as an additional testimonial of respect for the memory of its deceased member, adjourned.

Thursday Dec. 17.

Numerous petitions and memorials were presented, and resolutions submitted. Upon one of the latter proposed by mr *Hunt*, for the distribution of the next annual proceeds arising from the sale of the Public Lands among the states, long discussion ensued in which messrs, Stanberry Sterigere, Test, Sevier, Vance, martin, *Mallary* Johnson, of Kentucky, Reed, Taylor, *Wilds*, and haynes took part. several amendments were engrafted upon the original resolution; but it was finally, on the motion of the last named gentleman, laid upon the table, mr Verplanck moved a resolution of considerable interest in relation to American Literature; to inquire into the expediency of reducing the postage on all periodical publications to the level of the postage charged upon newspapers. It was referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads. After the consideration of a resolution, which was ultimately negatived, moved by mr. hall to refer the subject of the election of President to a Committee, the question of the establishment of an armory on the western waters, was brought forward by mr. Carson; various amendments were moved upon it; but, previous to the sense of the house being take upon the subject, an adjournment took place until 12 o'clock on monday.

SUMMARY.

PARIS, Nov. 7.—The French Government and the members of the diplomatic body are said to have received intelligence yesterday, by a courier that arrived at the Austrian embassy, that the Emperor of Russia had consented to grant to Turkey conditions less rigorous than those stipulated in the Treaty of Adrianople, either as it regards the amount of the indemnities, or the periods at which they are to be paid by the Porte.

ENGLAND—From England there is nothing new whatever of any interest. The King's health continues to be good.

The London Morning Chronicle of November 6th states, from unquestionable authority, that it is the intention of the British Cabinet, steadily to steer clear of any thing like direct interference in the affairs of Portugal.

The Courier of the same date, states, that despatches had been sent off to Sir James Kempt, Governor General of the Canadas.

GREECE—The *Journal des Debats* has the following:—', A serious and important question remains to be decided for Greece. The time is at hand when the monarchical form of its Government will render necessary the choice of a Prince, who will be called to carry on the work of its political regeneration. Three competitors are at this moment on the stage, namely, Prince Paul of Wirtemberg, the Prince of Baden, and Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg. The Prince of Baden, after a long stay at Paris, went a few months ago to London, and Prince Leopold has just arrived at Paris. Perhaps these three names will not complete the list of competitors; and hence we shall at present confine ourselves to a few of the objections that present themselves at first sight against two of the aspirants. With respect to the Prince of Saxe Cobourg, it remains to be decided whether the Consort of the daughter of the King of England is not by the mere fact of his marriage excluded from being a candidate for the throne of Greece; whether the pension which he receives from the Parliament does not associate him too closely with the reigning family; and again, whether the Ionian Islands are not too near neighbors to the Morea. Between the family of Wirtemberg and the Imperial House of Russia relations by marriage also exist, but they are more remote from the throne; and the quality of pensioned English subject is evidently a chance unfavourable to the Prince of Saxe Cobourg in a competition with Prince Paul of Wirtemberg. The Prince of Baden is represented to have come to Paris for nothing but to lay before the French Cabinet his differences with the King of Bavaria, but his journey had also another object, and that object is now well known." The Constitutionnel says upon the same subject:—"Greece, which is essentially destined to form a Confederate Government, is to be ruled by a Sovereign Prince. Each of the four Great Powers present their candidate. France proposes for the throne of Leonidas the Prince of Lucca, son of the King of Etruria, in whose veins Spanish blood flows; Great Britain sets up Prince Leopold of Saxe Cobourg; Russia, the son of the ex-King of Sweden. As to the title that the candidate will assume, this is said to be left to the Aulic Chancery of Austria.

CONSTANTINOPLE. Oct. 4.—"A singular occurrence recently took place here, which has excited the public astonishment in a high degree. A Greek named Argiropolo, had been appointed to accompany as Chief Drogoman, the Turkish Embassy about to be sent to St. Petersburgh by the Sultan. His Highness had called him into his presence, and placed a considerable sum of money at his disposal, which was the more acceptable as he was in pecuniary difficulties. On a sudden Argiropolo and all his family disappeared, without any one knowing what had become of them. This circumstance has given rise to a multitude of conjectures and rumours, but the most probable is that being advanced in years and harrassed with troubles, he has fled to avoid taking upon him functions, for which he had no inclination, but which he could not decline without exciting the Sultan's displeasure. In taking to flight he had nothing to lose at Constantinople."

SPAIN—November 6 is fixed for the signature of the contract of marriage between the King and the Princess Maria Christiana of Naples. After this ceremony the marriage will be published officialy, and the Duke de Florida, Minister of Naples, will set out for the frontiers to receive their Sicilian Majesties and their daughter. A few evenings ago, as M. Stick de Linschauton, Secretary of the Netherlands' Minister at this Court, was coming out of the Theatre, he was stabbed by a man who had formerly been in his service as cook. His wounds are believed to be extremely dangerous. The Gazette of this day contains an article in which it is stated that the expedition which sailed from the Havanna under Gen. Barradas consists of only 3,300 men. Gen. San Lorenti embarked a few days since at Cadiz for the Havanna, to take the command of the second expedition [illegible]

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TRIESTE, Oct. 21.—An English steam vessel just arrived, announces that Count Capo d'Istrias was preparing, with the assent of the English and French Ambassadors, to go to the Russian head-quarters at Adrianople. He is to disembark at Enos, and proceed from thence by land. It is expected that he will remain at the head of the Greek government, and in that capacity take part in the negociations relative to the affairs of Greece.

ODESSA. Oct. 13.—Twenty-eight vessels had arrived from Constantinople, three of which bore the English flag. Trade continues very brisk, and every description of produce sustains previous high prices; excepting wheat, which has declined in consequence of late advices from the ports of the Mediterranean,, where the demand for the article had some what subsided. The English vessels were obtaining the high freights of 4l 10s. per ton, with 10 per cent. primage.

GOVERNMENT DEBTORS.—It is understood that the same humane and liberal spirit which dictated that part of the President's Message, relating to the discharge of honest and impoverished debtors from their dues to the Government, has induced the Treasury Department to decide that writs of Ca Sa shall not be issued against debtors to the United States, except such as are suspected of fraud, and those who, having the ability, do not pay the costs incurred by the Government in the prosecution of their bonds.

BOTHERATION.—Consideral interest was shewn in a trial on Wednesday last, between certain members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Reformers. The contest was about the right of using a church in Springfield township in this county which was formerly occupied by the old Methodist society. The Reformers claimed the right of using and did use it, when an action of tresspass was brought against them. After much debate, the Jury retired and remained out all night, when they brought in a verdict for the plaintiffs (the old society,) damages one cent. This decision would debar the reformers from the right of using the old church. This union of law and gospel in the court house must be an unpleasant business to tender consciences.

Ohio Messenger.

MILITARY SCHOOL—Capt Partridge proposes to establish a branch of his Scientific and Military School in Fayetteville, to be commenced some time in March next. He has already established one at Oxford, in Granville county.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.—So far as we have seen, this document has met with the approbation of our brethren of the type, with one exception.—the New York American. The Norfolk Herald, a warm and consistent opponent of the election of Gen. Jackson, and a most respectable paper, speaks in a very complimentary manner of it. We believe its recommendations, not less than its style, meet the approbation, very generally, of the people. Fay. Obs.

GREAT INJUSTICE—The Hon. David Crocket in a letter to the Editors of the Telegraph and Intelligencer complains that on his way to Washington City he was compelled to pay for a supper and lodging (by a *Mr.* Briceland,) when he "had neither eaten, drank or slept in his house"

HALIFAX.

THURSDAY Dec. 24, 1829.

NEW STATE BANK.—In the Senate, on Friday last, upon the question to strike out the first section of the Bill to establish a new Bank, the votes were, yeas 23, nays 40—the effect of striking out the first section would amount to a rejection of the bill, so that by the above vote, it appears there is a large majority in the Senate in favour of establishing a Bank of the State, provided the Bill in its further progress before the committee be so matured as to suit their views. Could we be convinced of the propriety of such a measure at any time, and that its results would tend to relieve the people from their embarrasments, we should say that the present period demanded its establishment. But this relief, if afforded at all in this way, will be but short lived. If the United States Bank and that of other States will not receive its notes at par, theymust immediately depreciate, and so far from paying our debts abroad will not satisfy our creditors at home.

The following officers have been re-elected by the Legislature without opposition:

William Hill, Secretary of State.
William Robards, Public Treasurer.
James Grant, Comptroller.

PETER O. PICOT, Esq. has been elected, after several ballotings, Brigadier General of the 13th Brigade.

VIRGINIA.—The Hon Jas. Monroe has resigned his seat in the Convention in consequence of indisposition. *Mr.* P. P. Barbour was elected President and Gen. Robert B. Taylor of Norfolk, a member, to supply the vacancy. Gen. Taylor declined the appointment.

Halifax.—In our last, we took a discursory view of the advantages, likely to result to this place from the *trade down the river*, and endeavoured in as comprehensive a manner, as possible, to point out, what we conceived to be some of the duties and the interest of those more immediately concerned—We will now attempt a further view of this subject and shall, as our limits will permit, from the watch tower of the press, notice this matter from time to time, and point attention to many alterations and additions, which in our humble estimation will contribute to the appearance and improvement of this town. *We* have the great northern and southern line of mail stages passing through here, and a line has lately been established to Murfreesborough running in connection with the lower route and giving us a direct stage communication with Norfolk, three times a week. In addition to these advantages, boats are continually plying on the river and we are daily expecting the arrival of the steamer North Carolina well fitted for the accommodation of passengers--all these certainly demonstrate that the town of Halifax already is and every day will become more and more a place of importance--We see gentlemen from all the large cities and from almost every clime on the globe, passing and repassing, to whose observation and criticism we are continually exposed--and it would be well that something should be done to impress them with a favorable opinion of the thriving situation and good police of our town. The public buildings of the county are located here and the citizens are virtually pledged in some degree to take care of them, and we would ask, whether it is not to their interest to place a handsome enclosure around the court *House* and plant out trees within it--this would not only be an ornament to the town but a great accommodation to all who attend our courts—we believe that by this means a great display of ornament and real comfort may be reached by a trifling expense.

We would further suggest the propriety of repairing the fence or making a new one around the *Church Yard*. It is a principle of savage life to venerate and respect the dead and the lingering of affection around where sleeps the ashes of their fathers is one great preventive to their emigration.--A respect for the dead has ever been one characteristic of man, in his more civilized capacity, and we would ask, whether the church yard, in this place, corresponds with that view. *The* town has clearly evinced its respect for religion, by the repairs of the church, but its appendage is in a wretched state of dilapidation. It is to this sacred place, where man may be humbled, by reflection upon his nothingness, we would invite attention—we would plead for it "trumpet tongued"--to if there be a dearer, holier spot in the town, we are not a ware of it.

FOR THE HALIFAX MINERVA.

MR. FREEMAN:—With that solicitude which characterizes a well wisher to your town, I have anxiously looked and hoped for its advancement; and it has been matter of astonishment with me, that so much apathy and indifference should have existed among a people at once intelligent and ambitious—that they should so long have been regardless of their best interest. Indeed, Sir, whenever I have taken into view the location of Halifax, surrounded as it is by a rich and populous country, and possessing many natural advantages, I have been irresistibly led to the conclusion, that nothing but a want of energy could prevent its rising into notice and distinction. Time has shown that I was right, and that your little village, once honoured by the councils of the State, and venerable from age, will ere long assume that station to which it is so justly entitled.

But a little while ago, all was gloom and despondency. An ill-fated supineness was visible in every circle, and as if by mutual consent every thing seemed to bend, in silent acquiescence, to the delusion; while the proud Roanoke rolled her waters to the Ocean, murmuring with neglect. How pleasing the contrast! How delightful the prospect! Now, all is animation and life—the cheering hum of business is heard along the streets—industry is the watchword, and all things give evidence of a happy reformation. Waggons and carts crowd along, literally groaning under the products of the country, while the majestic, but long neglected Roanoke, swarming with life and industry, generously offers her bosom to realize the expectation of the farmer. These are proud times! Halifax, go on—you are now on the road of successful experiment, and have nothing to fear. Continue your exertions, and I anticipate the hope when I shall see you, if not the great mart of North Carolina, at least, the proud example of what industry can do.

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MARRIED,

In this county, on the 17th inst. JESSE R. SMITH, Esq. to Mrs. ELIZABETH McLANE.

In the city of New York, on Saturday morning 12th inst. the Hon. DANIEL WEBSTER, of Boston, to CAROLINE, youngest daughter of HERMAN LE ROY, Esq. of the city of New York.

THE NORFOLK STAGE—leaves the mansion *House*, in this place, every tuesday thursday and Friday at 8 o clock A. M.

Important Sales.

THE sales of the real and personal property belonging to the estate of the late Wm. Williams of martin county, will commence at the

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plantation, in Warren county, on Thursday the 14th of JANUARY next; (at which time and place the tract of land containing about 1000 acres will be sold,) and will be continued, in Bertie county, at the following times and places.

Plantation in the Marshes known by the name of the

BIG FIELD,

on Tuesday the 19th of January next. At this place will be sold the tract of land, purchased of William Johnston, containing two hundred and sixty-five acres, in which Mrs. Johnston is entitled to dower, adjoining the lands of Whitmel Hill, Samuel Williams and others.

GREEN POND,

on Thursday the 21st, at which place the tract of land will be sold, containing about one Thousand acres

CONIOT,

on monday the 25th.

Plantation, at which E. *Hyman* is overseer, adjoining the lands of Wm. *M.* Clark and Noah Hinton, on Wednesday the 27th.

At the times and places mentioned, will be sold, on a credit of six months, from fifty to one hundred valuable young

NEGROES;

about fifty *Mules* and horses, five hundred Cattle, from five to six hundred head of Sows, Shoats, and Pigs, a large quantity of Corn Fodder, Oats, and Peas, and all the Plantation *Tools*. Purchasers will be required to enter into bond with approved security, for all sums of five dollars and upwards. For purchases under that amount, prompt payment will be required. The terms on which the lands will be sold, shall be made known at the time of selling each tract.

DAVID WILLIAMS, *Ex'r.*
December 21st, 1829. 43—3t

NOTICE.

AT September term of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of the county of Martin, the last will of William Williams, late of said county, was admitted to probate, and at the present term of said court the subscriber qualified as executor thereto.

Being determined to close the settlement of the estate, with as little delay as possible, the creditors of the testator are requested to make known their claims, that provision may be made for their payment, and those indebted will at once see the necessity of promptly discharging the demands against them. Col. A. Joyner will assist in settling the estate, who is fully authorized to collect the debts due thereto, and to grant discharges, &c.

DAVID WILLIAMS.
Williamston, 16th Dec 1829. 43—3t

Brinkleyville Academy.

THE public are reminded that this Academy goes into operation on the 1st Monday of January, and that the terms are so low as to suite the pressure of the times, and to accommodate all disposed to educate their youth. Reference is made to a former advertisement, where it will be seen that the maximum price, including tuition, board, &c. is 37 $50, and minimum $25 only, for session of 5 months.

SIDNEY WELLER
Principal.

N. B. Mrs. Nancy Arrington will also take boarders at five dollars per month. She lives about one mile south of the Academy building, and very near Brinkleyville Post Office

ANDREW HARRIS,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
NORFOLK, VA.
Recently of Halifax, N. Carolina.

RESPECTFULLY tenders his services to the public in sales of all kinds of PRODUCE, which may be intrusted to his care. His Ware-house is convenient to the wharf, which will save the charge of drayage.

Sept. 2. 30—6m

REMOVAL,
HENRY S. HAYNES & CO.

HAVE removed their establishment to the store formerly occupied by A. A. B. Stith & co. and recently by W. A. Stith, where they offer a well selected assortment of Dry Goods, Groceries &c. on the most reasonable terms for CASH or COTTON.

Dec. 17. 11—42

To Parents and Guardians.

THE subscribers have employed Mr. James *H.* Strain, for the ensuing year, to take charge of a private school near Culpepper's *Bridge*, (Halifax county,) to commence the 2nd Monday in January. Mr. Strain's qualifications as a teacher are well calculated to prepare students for the University--testimonies of which have been satisfactorily witnessed. Tuition, for English not to exceed $16. Languages not to exceed $20 for eleven months.

Good board on very accommodating terms.

THOS. NICHOLSON,
GUILFORD NICHOLSON,
ALFRED W. MOORE.
Dec. 21, 1829. 43—3t

Shocco Female Academy.

MRS. LUCAS respectfully informs her friends and the public, that the Exercises of the above Academy will be resumed on the 1st Monday in February next.

The utmost attention will be paid to the morals and behaviour of the young Ladies placed in this seminary; and its retired, pleasant and healthy situation its salubrious air and fine spring water, make it a very desirable residence for youth. *This* Academy has been under her care for the last eight years, and only one case of sickness has occurred during this time, although the principle part of her pupils were from the most unhealthy parts of the State. Being only a few miles from the stage road, her Academy affords opportunities for Parents and Guardians of regular communications with their children and Wards.

In addition to the usual Elements of Education and Plain and Ornamental Needle Work, the young Ladies will be instructed in Geography, *History* Astronomy, Chemistry, Botany, Philosophy, Mythology, Drawing and Painting on Velvet, Lace Work, Music, &c.

Terms--Board and *Tuition* $50 per Session. *Music* $20, half payable in advance. Painting on Velvet $5. For Drawing, Painting on Paper, or Needle Work, no extra charge will be made.

Warren county, Dec 19 43-3w

Hillsborough Female
ACADEMY.

THE Winter Examination of the Institution ended on the 8th instant. The next Session will commence on the 28th January next.

1st Class,	$15 per Session.
2d and 3d	12 50
4th	10 00
Contingent Expenses	50
Music	$24 per Session.
Drawing & Painting 10	
Needle Work, from 1 to 3.	

Board, including Wood, Washing, Candles, &c. in the most respectable families for $10 per month.

W. M. GREEN, Superintendant.
Dec. 19. 43--4w

STRAY HORSE.

A SORREL HORSE, with a blaze in his face, about 4 feet 10 inches high, 6 or 7 years old with roached mane, came to the subscribers on the 8th of this month: the owner can have him on application to me in the town of Jackson, by paying for his keeping, and for this advertisement there being no Ranger in the county.

SAMUEL CALVERT.
Jackson, N. C. Dec. 17, 1829. 43—4 Pr. adv. $1 67

MISLAID LETTER.

SOMETIME in the latter part of the summer of 1828, a letter written by the subscriber, and addressed to Beverly H. Drinkard, Northampton county, N. C. was deposited at Simmens's tavern, in Halifax, where it remained some time, but is now missing, never having reached its destination. Any person having knowledge of said letter, will confer a favor by making a communication thereof to Col. J. H. Simmons or myself the letter having contained a bond which remains unsatisfied.

M. W. DUNNAVANT.
Warrenton, 24th Dec. 22—2t

RACES.

THE races over WIGGINS'S course at Crowell's X roads will commence on Friday the 25th inst. and continue two days.

First Day, the Jockey club purse of

100 DOLLARS

will be run for, two mile heats.

Second Day, the Proprietor's Purse will be run for, mile heats, purse supposed to be worth 75 Dollars.

L. MORGAN, *Sec'ry*
Halifax county, N. C. 18th Dece. 1829. 43—1t

COMMITTED,

To the Jail of Halifax county, on the 10th instant, as runaways, the following negro slaves to wit: BENJAMIN, the property of Jas. Gordon, ALLEN, the property of Whitmel J. *Hill* and DAVY the property of Alexander Watson.—The owners are hereby notified, that unless they come forward in due time and take their property into possession, a sale will be made thereof according to law.

J. H. SIMMONS.

HALIFAX
SADDLE AND HARNESS
MANUFACTORY,
(next door to the Post Office.)

THE subscribers having formed a Copartnership under the firm of

WOMBLE & LITCHFORD

will continue to carry on, in this place,

Saddle and Harness

business in all its various branches.

The approbation of the public, both as it respects the execution and prices of work, which they have severally received, warrants them in soliciting a continuance of patronage; and they assure their old customers and all who may confide work to them, that every thing shall be done with neatness, fidelity and despatch.

At their establishment, will be found, at all times, an assortment of

SADDLES,
BRIDES,
MARTINGALES,
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WHIPS,
SPURS, &c.

Which they will sell on reasonable terms.

Aquilia Womble.
A. A. Litchford,
Dec 15, 1829. 11--42

State of North-Carolina.
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY.
Court *of Pleas & Quarter Sessions*
December Term 1829.

John Summerville vs Benj. H. Prichard	Org. attachment, levied on two tracts of Land and defendants interest in one other tract.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the Defendant Benjamin H. Prichard is not an inhabitant of this state:

It is therefore ordered that publication be made in the *Minerva* a news paper printed and published in the town of *Halifax*, for six weeks successively, for the said Defendant to appear before the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions to be held for the County of Northampton at the court house in the town of Jackson on the first monday in March next then and there replevy the property so attached or plead to issue, otherwise Judgment final will be entered up against him, and the property levied on, condemned subject to the Plaintiff's recovery.

JOHN W. HARRISON, c. s. c. c.
Pr. Adv. $3,75 42—5t

POETRY.

'Tis the gift of POETRY to hallow every place in which it moves: to breathe round nature an odour more exquisite than the perfume of the rose, and to shed over it a tint more magical than the blush of morning.

THE FAREWELL.

BY BYRON.

He will return—but now the moment's bring
The time of parting with redoubled wing;
The why, the where, what boots it now to tell?
Since all must end in that wild word—farewell?
List! 'tis the bugle—Juan shrilly blew—
One kiss—one more!—adieu!
She rose, she sprung, she clung to his embrace,
Till his heart heav'd beneath her hidden face;
She dared not raise to his that deep blue eye,
Which downcast drooped in tearless agony.
Hark—peals the thunder of the signal gun!
It told 'twas sunset!
Again—again—that form he madly press'd.
Which mutely clasped, imploringly caress'd!
And tottering to his couch, his bride he bore
One moment gazed—as if to gaze no more!
Felt—that for him, earth held but her alone,
Kiss'd her cold forehead, turn'd, is Conrad gone?
And is he gone?
How oft that fearful question will intrude,
'Twas but an instant past, and here he stood!
And now without the portal's porch she rush'd,
And then at length her tears in freedom gush'd;
Big, bright and fast, unknown to her they fell,
But still her lips refused to send—farewell!

THE MAIDENS CHOICE.

Genteel in personage,
Conduct and equipage,
Noble by heritage,
Generous and Free.

Brave, not romantic,
Learn'd, not pedantic—
Frolic, not frantic—
This must he be,

Honor maintaining,
Meanness disdaining,
Still entertaining,
Engaging and new

Neat, but not finical,
Sage, but not cynical,
Never tyrannical,
And ever true.

From the Newbern Spectator.

HON. THOMAS BLOUNT.

An eminent biographer remarks, that gratitude alone, perpetuates the memory of the illustrious dead If oblivious silence were permitted to reign over their heroic achievements, both in politics and arms, succeeding posterity would lose the benefit of their wisdom and experience, and the improvement of the world, instead of being progressive would remain fixed and unalterable. The task of the biographer is therefore "twice blessed." A grateful kindred, hold in dear remembrance the gratuity of the duty, and an admiring posterity, give the homage of their gratitude. But for some such feeling, the subject of this notice would have been gathered to his fathers, unnoticed and unknown- To rescue from oblivion, the name of one who stood so high and honoured among us, and to hold him up to posterity as a bright example of talent and worth, is the object of the following sketch:

THOMAS BLOUNT, took an early and active part in favour of the rights and liberties of his country, at an early age. Whilst a boy, at the age of sixteen, he entered into his country's service a volunteer in the Revolutionary army, in which he served in various capacities until the conclusion of a peace. We are not acquainted with the rank he held at the close of the war, but such was the confidence of the state in his patriotism and military talent, that he was raised by successive promotion, to the highest rank in the militia of that state, in which capacity he commanded universal approbation. General Blount had been a member of congress for many years, with occasional intervals. As a politician, whilst he was justly considered the inflexible and ardent friend to his country, he never departed from that gentlemanly deportment which characterised the man. He was an honourable and worthy man, and in him North Carolina lost one of her most useful and respected citizens. Intrepid as a soldier, firm and consistent as a politician, he united the qualities of a statesman and warrior, with those of the patriot and scholar. He died at the city of Washington, on the 8th February, 1812, in the 53d year of his age, whilst attending his duties in congress, as a representative from the state of North Carolina. His remains were intered in the public burial ground, on the 10th February, with military honours. His funeral was attended by the military, and members of both houses of congress; and the solemnity and length of the procession which accompanied it to the silent tomb, afforded ample testimony to the general sensibility for the loss.

A FRAGMENT.

To enter this world without a welcome; to leave it without an adieu—to suffer and be unable to communicate your suffering—to stand a sad and silent monument amid the joys of others, which you cannot understand nor conceive of—to be shut out of life—to carry within your bosom the burial seeds of happiness which are never to grow, of intellect which is never to burst forth, of usefulness which is never to germinate, to find even your presence afflictive, and not known whether you excite compassion or horror; a whole existence without one cheering sound; without one welcome accent, without one exhilerating thought; without one recollection of the past, without one hope of the futuer. O! what a cloud of wretchedness covers, surrounds and overwhelms such a deplorable victim of sorrow.

Now to throw over such a benighted being the sweet rays of intelligence, to open the intellect, and let it gush forth in streams of light and joy—to rouse the affections that they may know and love God, the giver of all things, and merciful in his chastisements; to enlighten the soul that it may see its origin, and destiny; to cause the lips to smile, though they cannot speak; the eye to glisten with other emotions, than those of sorrow, and the mind to understand, although it cannot hear. O! what a beautiful suppliment to the benevolence of Heaven!---W. Crafts.

THE MECHANICAL AGE.

A writer in the Edinburg Review says, "Were we required to characterise this age of ours by any single epithet, we would be tempted to call it, not an heroical, devotional, philosophical or moral age, but, above all others, the mechanical age. It is the age of machinery, in every outward and inward sense of that word; the age which, with its whole undivided might, forwards, teaches, and practises the great art of adapting means to ends. Nothing is now done directly or by hand, all is by rule and calculated contrivance. For the simplest operation, some helps and accompaniments, some cunning abbreviating process is in readiness. Our old modes of exertion are all discredited, and thrown aside.—On every hand, the living artizen is driven from his workshop, to make room for a speedier, inanimate one. The shuttle drops from the fingers of the weaver, and falls into iron fingers that fly it faster.—The sailor furls his sail, and lays down his oar, and bids a strong, unwearied servant, on vapor wings, bear him through the waters. Men have crossed oceans by steam; the Birmingham fire-king has visited the fabulous east; and the genius of the cape, were there any Camoens now to sing it, has again been alarmed, and with far stranger thunder than Gama's. There is no end to machinery. Even the horse is stripped of his harness, and finds a fleet fire horse, yoked in his stead. Nay, we have an artist that hatches chickens by steam; the very brood hen is to be superceded! For all earthly, and for some unearthly purposes, we have machines for mechanic furtherances; for mincing our cabbages: for casting us into magnetic sleep. We remove mountains, and make seas our smooth highway: nothing can resist. We war with rude nature and, by our resistless engines, come off always victorious, and loaded with spoils."

"The child is born," said Oliver Evans, more than forty years ago, "who will travel from Philadelphia to Boston in one day."]

"I AM ENGAGED."

"The American Indians are not more remarkable for their severe conjugal fidelity than the girls are for their constancy to their engagements. At parties I have often had young ladies pointed out to me of eighteen or nineteen, who had been engaged, and of whose future husbands, one was in Europe pursuing his studies, another in China, attending his commercial business, and a third dangerously employed in the whale fishery, in the most distant seas. Young girls thus engaged, hold the middle place in society between their still disengaged companions and the married ladies. They have already lost some of the thoughtless gaiety of the former, and assumed a slight tinge of the other. The numerous aspirants designated here by the name of beaux, which at first surrounded them, and were received until a choice was made, still bestow upon them delicate attentions, but by no means so particular as formerly, and should one of them, either from ignorance or obstinate hopes, persist in offering his heart and hand, the answer "I am engaged," given with a sweet frankness and an indulgent smile, soon destroys all his illusions, without wounding his pride. Engagements of this sort preceding marriage are very common, not only in New York, but throughout the United States, and it is exceedingly rare that they are not fulfilled with religious fidelity. Public opinion is very severe on this point, and does not spare either of the two parties which may dispose of themselves without the consent of the other."

Lavasseur's Journal.

Washington—After the surrender of York Town, while the continental troops were preparing to receive the British, who were to march forth from the garrison, and deliver up their arms, the commander in chief was heard to say, addressing himself to the division of the army to which he was attached, "My brave fellows, let no sensation of satisfaction for the triumphs you have gained, induce you to insult our fallen enemy; let no clamorous huzzaing, increase their mortification. It is sufficient satisfaction for us that we witness their humiliation Posterity will huzza for us!"

RELIGION—I envy no quality of the mind or intellect in others; not genius, power, wit or fancy; but, could I choose what would be most delightful, and I believe most useful to me, I should prefer a firm religious belief to every other blessing; for it makes life a dicipline of goodness—creates new hopes when all earthly hopes vanish and throws over the decay, the destruction of existence, the most gorgeous of all lights; awakens life even in death, and from corruption and decay calls up beauty and divinity; makes an instrument of fortune and of shame the ladder of ascent to paradise and far above all combination of earthly hopes, calls up the most delightful visions of palms and amaranths, the gardens of the blest, the security of everlasting joys where the sceptic views only gloomy decay, annihilation and despair!

The first printing press in this colony was brought by James Davis from Virginia and set up in Newbern in the year 1774. Even the laws, before this, existed only in manuscript.

We have in our possession, printed by this same Davis, "The office and authority, of a Justice of the Peace, and also the duty of sheriffs, &c. &c collected from the Common and Statute Laws of England and the Acts of Assembly of this province. By J. Davis, Esquire, one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of Craven. printed at Newbern, by James Davis. M, DCC, LXXIV." (1774.) This is probably the first book that was printed in North-Carolina.

The town of Halifax was settled in the year (1749.)

Newbern Spectator.

SHIPWRECK.—A schooner supposed to be the Fanny, Capt, Ashbee, from Baltimore this place, was seen off Cape Hatteras a few days ago, bottom upwards. The Fanny left Baltimore on the 24th ult. and was no doubt in the late blow; as she is out of time and nothing having been heard from the crew, we fear they are all lost.

THE LAND OF PLENTY.—Indian Corn (maize) is selling in the State of Ohio at twelve and a half cents per bushel; and a bushel will support a family for a week.

Quankey Academy.

Four miles from Halifax N. C.

THE Trustees of this institution, have appointed THOMAS J VAIDEN, principal thereof, this Gentleman comes highly recommended by several very distinguished citizens of Virginia, and by the Faculty of the Virginia University, where he was employed as a Tutor for the last three years.—

The ACADEMY will be opened on the first monday in January, for the reception of scholars. Branches of Education will be such as are taught in the most popular institutions of this kind. Youth may be prepared there for any College, and particularly for the University of Virginia; several branches of the Mathematic's will be taught—of the modern languages, only the French.

PRICES of Tuition are $20, or $25, for the scholastic year, or 10 months, according to the Branch of studies pursued by the pupil.—Board may be had, convenient to the Academy at $30 per session per 5 months, including Washing, Lodging &c. Tuition and board to be paid at the end of each session.—The Trustees pledge themselves to attend as formerly to the morals and deportment of the youth placed at this institution.—

RICH. B. PIERCE, }
JOHN PURNELL, } *Trustees.*
JAMES BISHOP, }

Lavallee Academy.

MRS. LYDIA PHILIPS informs her friends and the public generally, that the exercises of this institution will recommence about the 15th of January, particulars made known in due time.

Midway Academy,

Franklin county, N. C.

Tuition pr. Session $10
Board do. 40

THESE terms include every necessary expense except candles. Books will be furnished at the Petersburg retail prices. Every student will be required to bring with him a pair of Sheets, Counterpane and a pair of Blankets. The exercises of this Institution will be renewed on the first Monday in January, and the first session will close by a public Examination on the first Thursday and Friday in June. The 2nd session will commence on the following Monday and close without an Examination, on the 2nd Friday of November.

The system of studies is regulated by the plan of our University. The subscriber will devote his whole attention to the duties of his School.

C. A. HILL, A. M.
Dec. 1, 1829. 4t—42

A Private Female School

UNDER the direction of the subscriber, will be opened in the Town of Halifax, by Miss JULIA ANN BRYAN, late of Williams burg, Virginia. She is an accomplished, and competent young Lady, to instruct girls, and small boys, in Speling Reading, Writing, and Arithmetic, English Grammer, Geography, History, Logic, Rhetoric, Needle work &c. The school will commence on Monday the 11th of January next, at the rates of one Dollar per month, board can be had with the subscriber, for six dollars per month. The attention of parents, and guardians, is particularly invited to this institution, as the very best order, and decorum will be strictly observed, with an untiring exertion, to advance those committed to our care, as rapidly as the nature of things will permit. In this school, the children will not be oppressed by too many studies, being forced upon their weak, and tender minds at one time. Entries can be made for as many months, as parents may think safe; and all children may be taken from school, at any time, by paying up all arrears.

MARTIN READ.
Dec. 10, 1829.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, under the authority vested in me, by the President and Directors of the Roanoke Navigation Company, I shall on the 12th day of January next, at Eaton's Falls, near Wilkins' Ferry, on Roanoke River, be prepared to lease for a term of years, the right of using the water in the Canal at that place, for milling purposes. The contractor or lessee will be required to enter into bond with approved security, for the fulfilment of such conditions as may be agreed upon.

A. JOYNER, Agent.
Weldon, Nov. 5, 1829.

State of North Carolina.

HALIFAX COUNTY

In the Court of Equity

John R. Pierce
vs
Robert F. W. *H.* Perkins,
James Bishop, and
Robert A Jones. admr: &c
Original Bill.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that Robert F W H Perkins one of the defendants mentioned in the Bill is not an inhabitant of this state. It is therefore ordered, that publication be made for three months, in the newspaper printed in Halifax, that unless the said Robert F. W. H Perkins appear at the next Superior Court of Law & Equity, to be held for the county of Halifax, at the Court House in the Town of Halifax, in the fourth Monday after the fourth Monday in March next, and there plead answer or demur to said bill the same will be taken *pro confesso* and heard *ex parte* as to him.

Witness Edmund B. Freeman Clerk and Master in Equity the fourth monday after the fourth monday in September A. D 1829

EDM B FREEMAN C M E.

BLANKS

Neatly executed at this office.

HENRY S HAYNES & CO.

New Cheap Store,

HAVE opened in the store opposite Messrs Hawkins and Harris, an elegant assortment of *Staple and Fancy Dry*

GOODS,

suitable for the present season and of the latest style. And also an extensive, assortment of SHOES, HATS, CROCKERY GLASS, GROCERIES &c

And will continue to receive fresh supplies, throughout the season, all of which, will be sold low for CASH or barter'd for produce.

N. B. The subscribers invite their friends and the public generally to call and examine for themselves, as the whole of their GOODS were purchased for (CASH,) the prices they will be offered at cannot fail to please!!!

H. S. HAYNES, & Co.
Halifax Nov 11, 1829. tf—38

STAPLE & FANCY

DRY GOODS,

Cutlery & Hardware.

THE subscriber in order to close the concern of JAMIESON & HALLIDAY offers for sale, at the House occupied by Mr James Halliday WELL SELECTED ASSORTMENT of Staple & Fancy

DRY GOODS,

Cutlery & Hardware.

The whole of the stock was lately purchased for cash in New York, and will now be offered at a very reduced price.

J. JAMIESON,
Surviving Partner of
JAMIESON & HALLIDAY
Nov 5th 1829. tf—37

BLACK SMITH.

I hereby give notice, that all persons indebted to Black-smith ANTHONY, the property of the heirs of John A Irwin Dec'd, are requested to make payment to MICHAEL FERRALL of the Town of Halifax, he being duly authorised to receive the same.

HENRY L. IRWIN Admr.

NOTICE.

THE Subscribers having commenced business at Plymouth N. C. in the name of J C. NORCOM & Co. will transact any business on

COMMISSION

committed to their care.—They have WARE HOUSES and BOATS at command.

J. C. NORCOM,
WM. R NORCOM.
Plymouth N. C. Nov 182 4 —40

The Celebrated Race Horse and STALION

WASHINGTON,

by Timoleon out of the celebrated race mare Ariadne, by citizen, will stand again in this place the ensuing season at my stable. Particulars will be made known in due time.

JOHN C. VANHOOK.
Leasburg, Caswell county, }
Nov. 19, 1829. }

THE Copartnership heretofore existing, under the firm of

Clark & Litchford.

has, this day, been dissolved, by mutual consent, and the books & papers placed in the hands of Thomas Ousby Esq as agent for settlement.

All persons, indebted to the concern, will call on him and close their accounts by bond or otherwise between this and the 1st day of January or they will be placed in the hands of officers for collection.

Persons having claims against the firm will also make application for payment.

WM F. CLARK.
A. A. LITCHFORD.
Dec 11, 1829. 3w—42

WILLIAM A. STITH

HAS removed to his former stand lately occupied by H. S. HAYNES & co. where he will always be pleased to see his old customers and such others as are disposed to encourage the honest exertions of a native citizen.